

## **SHEAR FASTENERS**

### **ABSTRACT**

A fastener element with a sheet-form base and an array of wedge-shaped engageable  
5 elements molded integrally with a surface of the sheet-form base. The wedge-shaped  
elements each have a steep side and a gradually rising side, and are arranged with their steep  
sides all directed in a common sense, such that the array can engage a similar array of  
oppositely-directed wedge-shaped elements to resist shear motion. The distal edges of the  
wedges are curved in top view.

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